

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 11, 14, 19-24 and 47-53 are pending in this application. The amendments to the claims do not present new matter; support may be found generally in the specification and, specifically, the claims as filed (including in the parent application).

The claims of parent application Serial No. 09/911,789 were subject to a Restriction and an Election of Species Requirement. A copy of that requirement may be found in the above-identified parent case. The claims herein were previously amended in light of the Restriction Requirement. The above amendment to claim 1 has been made in light of United States Patents 6,620,858 and 6,727,372.

Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 1, 2, 11, 14, 19-24 and 47-53 are in patentable form. Action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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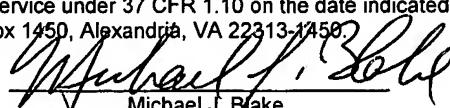
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